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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Inventorship..... Vong et al.
Assignee..... Microsoft Corporation
Group Art Unit2182
Examiner C. Shin
Attorney's Docket No.MS1-155USC3
Title: Handheld Computing Device With External Notification System

INTERVIEW SUMMARY FOR INTERVIEW DATED MAY 30, 2003
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ISSUES DISCUSSED

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The Office's rejection under 103(a) of claims 18-20, 23, and 40-46 based on Hidaka (U.S. Pat. No. 5,606,712) were discussed.

The Applicant argued that the claims were not properly rejected because the differences between the disclosure of Hidaka and the elements recited in the claims were not design choice matters. Incorporating a limitation of claim 43, 44, 45, or 46 into claim 42 were also discussed.

The Examiner did not agree with the Applicant's argument.

Respectfully Submitted,

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